

What is claimed is:

1. A job management method for an information processing system that includes an information processing device, the job management method comprising the steps of:

storing a stencil for a job definition statement and data prescribing a user interface for job definition statement setup;

generating data for executing the process for generating a job definition statement based on the contents set by a user via the user interface in accordance with the stencil for the job definition statement and the data prescribing the user interface for job definition statement setup; and

generating the job definition statement by executing the process in accordance with the generated data.

2. The job management method according to claim 1, wherein the stencil for the job definition statement is written in XML format.

3. The job management method according to claim 2, wherein the data prescribing the user interface for setting the job definition statement is written in XML format and positioned in the file in which the stencil for the job definition statement is written.

4. The job management method according to claim 1, wherein

the user interface is capable of opening a window, which is organized to prompt a user for setup, in order to prompt the user to set the job definition statement.

5. The job management method according to claim 4, wherein the data prescribing the user interface for setting the job definition statement contains control data for specifying whether the window should display user-definable options.

6. The job management method according to claim 4, wherein the data prescribing the user interface for setting the job definition statement contains control data for specifying whether or not to display a window that can open subsequently to a preceding window depending on a user response to the preceding window.

7. The job management method according to claim 1, wherein the stencil for the job definition statement contains, in accordance with a user selection made via the user interface, a definition statement for invalidating a specific description written in the stencil.

8. The job management method according to claim 1, wherein the stencil for the job definition statement contains, in accordance with a user selection made via the user interface, a definition statement issuing an instruction for generating a job definition statement in which a specific description written in the stencil is repeatedly written.

9. The job management method according to claim 1, wherein the job definition statement contains a definition statement for setting a job network that executes a stream of a plurality of jobs.

10. An information processing system, comprising:

means for storing a stencil for a job definition statement and data prescribing a user interface for job definition statement setup;

means for generating data for executing a process for generating a job definition statement based on the contents set by a user via the user interface in accordance with the stencil for the job definition statement and the data prescribing the user interface for setting the job definition statement; and

means for generating the job definition statement by executing the process in accordance with the generated data.

11. The information processing system according to claim 10, further comprising means for importing or exporting the stencil for the job definition statement that is managed as data in file form.

12. A program for enabling an information processing system, which comprises an information processing device, to exercise a function for storing a stencil for a job definition statement and for data prescribing a user interface for job definition statement

setup; a function for generating data for executing a process for generating a job definition statement based on the contents set by a user via the user interface in accordance with the stencil for the job definition statement and the data prescribing the user interface for setting the job definition statement; and a function for generating the job definition statement by executing the process in accordance with the generated data.

13. A program for enabling an information processing system to exercise a function for generating data for executing a process for generating a job definition statement based on the contents set by a user via the user interface in accordance with a stencil for the job definition statement and data prescribing a user interface for job definition statement setup.

14. A program for enabling an information processing device in an information processing system; which comprises means for storing a stencil for a job definition statement and data prescribing a user interface for job definition statement setup and means for generating data for executing a process for generating a job definition statement based on the contents set by a user via the user interface in accordance with the stencil for the job definition statement and the data prescribing the user interface for setting the job definition statement; to implement the user interface in accordance with the generated data and

exercise a function for generating the job definition statement.

15. A recording medium on which the program according to claim 12 is recorded.

16. A storage system which includes a storage device for storing data for use in an operation server and a management server for managing the operation of the storage device, defining the job targeted for execution as a policy rule, and executing a process in compliance with the policy rule, the storage system comprising:

a storage section for storing the information about data concerning the policy rule and data prescribing a user interface for setting the policy rule;

means for reading the element attribute information about a policy rule from the storage section, processing an element of a wizard page defining a guidance window for policy setup, and generating a wizard window;

means for entering policy rule setup information via the user interface in compliance with an instruction displayed by the generated window; and

means for generating a policy rule in accordance with the information set via the user interface.

17. The storage system according to claim 16, wherein the policy rule set via the user interface is stored in XML format

in the storage section.

18. The storage system according to claim 16, wherein a policy template defining data for executing a policy rule generation process in accordance with the contents set by a user via the user interface contains the information about a policy guidance window serving as the user interface and the information about a generated policy definition XML file.

19. The storage system according to claim 16, wherein the policy rule generated by the means for generating a policy rule is delivered to a policy execution engine and registered.

20. The storage system according to claim 16, wherein the storage section stores beforehand the information about instances of data concerning the policy rule and the information about instances of data prescribing a user interface for setting the policy rule.